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Receipt of Foreign Circle Notes from Postmasters.

383. The refusal of Postmasters to receive notes of Foreign Circles in payment for money order has been found to cause inconvenience to travellers. The rule has been modified so as to permit their receipt under such circumstances on the analogy of Foreign Circle Notes cashed for travellers at District Treasuries, though the general rule should be observed where no such reason exists for its relaxation. Accordingly no objection need be made to receive from Postmasters, notes that may be supposed to fall under this exception; but enquiry should be made if any considerable amount is tendered.

Transfers from Currency to Treasury or *vice versâ*.

384. Orders issued to pay money into or to take money from a Currency Chest should without fail be carried out at once, and the fact reported to the Accountant General's office (*vide* Articles 625 to 627, C. A. C.). Any omission to comply with such orders causes discrepancies in the Currency Accounts, which are strictly forbidden, and which will in every case have to be reported to Government.

Currency Agency Chests.

385. Where a Treasury banks with a branch of the Bank of Bombay, the Currency Agency coin should be kept separate and not entirely in the Bank's charge. The following rules in the C. A. C. (Article 627, Chapter 30), should be observed:—

(1) The Agency coin should be kept quite separate from the Treasury coin in a separate chest, and

(2) The Agency coin should be held under joint locks, one key being kept by the Collector, or some other gazetted officer who is not in personal charge of the Treasury balance.

386. When it happens that all the gazetted Revenue Officers of a district are absent from head-quarters, and the rule in clause (2) above cannot be carried out without causing delay and inconvenience, the Treasury Officer is permitted to hold both the keys on the understanding, that the balance is verified by a competent officer immediately on his return to the head-quarters station.

Every endeavour should, however, be made to avoid taking advantage of this permission, and if it is absolutely necessary to do so, the fact should be reported to the Accountant General at once, and on the return of a gazetted Revenue Officer to head-quarters, the balance should, without fail and without delay, be verified, the fact of the verification being reported to the Accountant General.

These rules should be strictly observed wherever there are Currency Agencies at present, and should not be lost sight of whenever it is found necessary to establish a Currency Agency at any Treasury.

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Add at the end of clause (*a*):—

"The decision in each case, as to whether the remittance should be accompanied by a Shroff or Karkun, is left to the Collector of the district who can issue General Orders to his Treasury Officer if he desires to do so."

Also add the following in the brackets at the end of clause (*c*).

"and G. R., R. D., No. 279, dated 10th January 1907."

Add the following after the brackets:—

A copy of the *General Orders* (if any) issued by the Collector to his Treasury Officer under clause (*a*), should be communicated to the Accountant General by the Collector, as soon as they are issued.

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Add the following new article :—

Deputation of Treasury Staff to accompany Remittances of Treasure.

388-A. Government have ruled that—

(*a*) A clerk or karkun may be sent with considerable remittances outside the District. They may be sent within the limits of the District only when the remittance is unusually heavy ;

(*b*) No substitutes should be entertained except in very special circumstances ;

(*c*) Peons should not be employed to accompany clerks or karkuns with remittances.

(*Vide* G. R., R. D., No. 3946, dated 23rd April 1906.)

No. 56, dated 22-5-06.)